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EVALUATION ☐ 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED ☐ 25X1A

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REMARKS

SOURCE ☐ 25X1X

1. On 3 December 1951, the Alte Infanterie Kaserne on August Bebel Strasse in Burg (M 53/Y 81) was occupied to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. After nightfall, the windows of all billets were lighted. About 200 men in squads were observed learning to use small arms. Twelve JS-3 tanks were seen in two of the five newly erected garages and about 15 trucks in two other sheds.

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2. On 3 December, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne on Zerbster Strasse was occupied to capacity by about 1,500 men who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. After nightfall the windows of all billets were lighted. About 300 men were observed engaged in close-order drill in the barracks yard and about 700 men doing infantry training at the training ground behind the barracks installation.

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3. On 21 December, Stalin's birthday, no parades or military reviews nor any routine duties were observed at the barracks installations of the military post. The 25X1B soldiers stayed in their billets. Vehicles ☐ were observed at the Neue Infanterie Kaserne and vehicles ☐ at the Alte Infanterie Kaserne. ** ☐ on 5 January 1952, an AAA unit with 25X1B eight light AA guns, 125 men and four trucks ☐

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☐ was observed being entrained at the Burg railroad station. The train departed in the direction of Magdeburg at 3 p.m. ☐ **25X1X 25X1B

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* ☐ Comment. The 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the Third Shock Army is believed to be stationed in the Alte Infanterie Kaserne. ☐ 25X1A

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** ☐ Comment. To date, the Neue Infanterie Kaserne has been carried as quartering artillery units of the Third Shock Army and/or of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps. See ☐

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☐ . The present report supports this assumption, ☐ that units of the 44th (?) Army Art. Brig are stationed in the Neue Infanterie Kaserne. As one regiment of the brigade is 25X1B located in Altengrabow, only one regiment, presumably the heavy AT regiment, can be stationed in Burg. ☐ . However, as the strength of this regiment would correspond to only half the number of troops reportedly observed at the Neue

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Infanterie Baserne, this installation must quarter also other units,
probably artillery units of the army or of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps.

25X1A *** [] Content. From the motor vehicle [] and the equipment observed, 25X1B
it is believed that the two light batteries of the 3d Gds AAA Div were entrained.

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